



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application Of:) Group Art Unit: 1614
ST. CROIX et al.)
Serial No.: 09/918,715) Examiner: C. Yaen
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For: **ENDOTHELIAL CELL EXPRESSION**)
PATTERNS) Docket No. 001107.00134

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Post Office Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 13, 2003, applicants request reconsideration of the patentability of the claims.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper. The remarks reflect the content of the arguments that were presented during the October 15, 2003 interview with examiners Caputa and Yaen.